

State Board of Education CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

April 1, 2016 Room 500, Cross State Office Building

MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Peter Geiger, Chair

Martha Harris

OTHERS PRESENT:

Scott Brown, Director, MDOE School Facilities
Ann Pinnette, MDOE School Facilities
Stephanie Clark, MDOE School Facilities
Mary Becker, State Board of Education
Jim Harford, MDOE School Facilities
David Schoenherr, BGS
Wilson Hess, State Board of Education
John A. Bird, State Board of Education

Lyndon Keck, PDT Architects
Bradley Smith, Superintendent MSAD #75
Donna Brunette, Principal Mt. Ararat H.S.
Alan Kuniholm, PDT Architects
Christopher R. Snow, MSAD #75, Facilities Director
William Webster Jr., Superintendent, Lewiston Public Schools
Jeff Larimer, Harriman Associates

CALL TO ORDER: 1:00 a.m.

Peter Geiger called the meeting to order.

Minutes of February 5, 2016 were approved as written.

Scott Brown introduced the first exhibit on the agenda: Site Approval Consideration for RSU #75. Mr. Brown briefly spoke about the proposed site and then turned the meeting over to Superintendent Bradley Smith who explained the current and proposed site. The district acquired surrounding Navy property a few years ago which will be part of the new construction site. The community voted and approved the site in an 85-0 straw poll. Lyndon Keck, of PDT Architects, explained the acreage and design options of the proposed site. After a few questions and further discussion the Committee voted to recommend that the State Board of Education grant Site Approval to RSU #75 for a high school construction project.

Mr. Brown then presented the next exhibit on the agenda: Lewiston Public Schools Concept Approval Consideration for a new elementary school. Jeff Larimer of Harriman Associates presented the concept of the building. He explained that the community has decided to fund a larger gymnasium than the state will provide, and there is a proposal on the table for air conditioning which would be paid for in equal shares by the state and local community. Superintendent Webster stressed to the committee that the population at the Martel school is 70 percent English Language Learners and the

population is continually growing and that the new school is needed to answer the growing populations' needs. After a few questions and further discussion the Committee voted to support the Commissioner's recommendation that the State Board of Education grant Concept Approval to Lewiston Public Schools for an elementary school construction project.

There being no further business, the Committee voted to adjourn at 2:00 p.m.

The next Construction Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday June 3, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in room 500 at the Burton Cross office building.